1	2	3	4
3.	Bihar	Rs. 1,00,000/-	Rs. 1,00,000/-
4.	Chhattisgarh	—	Rs. 1,00,000/-
5.	Gujarat	Rs. 1,00,000/-	Rs. 1,00,000/-
6.	Haryana	Rs. 1,50,000/-	—
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	Rs. 1,00,000/-	—
8.	Jharkhand	Rs. 50,000/-	—
9.	Madhya Pradesh	Rs. 20,000/-	Rs. 50,000/-
10.	Maharashtra	Rs. 1,50,000/-	Rs. 50,000/-
11.	Orissa	Rs. 1,50,000/-	—
12.	Rajasthan	—	Rs. 50,000/-
13.	Tamil Nadu	—	Rs. 1,00,000/-
14.	Uttar Pradesh	Rs. 3,50,000/-	Rs. 4,95,000/-
15.	Delhi	Rs. 1,00,000/-	Rs. 50,000/-
	TOTAL:	Rs. 13,20,000/-	Rs. 11,45,000/-

Custodial deaths in Delhi

939. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many cases of death in police custody have been reported in Delhi during the last three years;

(b) how many of them have really been proved to be cases of suicide;

(c) whether it is a fact that some of the Police Station lock-ups are equipped with closed-circuit televisions but the police officers do not record any situation to prove torture or alleged suicide of the victims; and

(d) what remedial steps Government propose to take to bring transparency in the behaviour of police personnel in dealing with the persons in their custody so as to avoid harassment of helpless and innocent people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) Details of custodial death cases in

Delhi reported during the years 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006 (upto 15th July) are given below:

Year	Cases of custodial deaths	Cases of suicide/natural death
2003	1	2
2004	—	1
2005	1	2
2006 (upto 15th July)	0	0

(c) In order to keep a close watch on the activities of arrested persons/ detainees in lock up, persons visiting police station, Duty Officer's room and Sankraman Kaksh, closed circuit Television Cameras have been installed in all the Police Stations. However, some of he old CCTV sets do not have a recording facility.

(d) The details of the steps taken to prevent custodial deaths are indicated below:

(i) A person arrested and kept in custody by the police is given an opportunity to inform a friend, relative or any other person who is known to him or likely to take an interest in his welfare. Police Stations telephones are made available to the arrested person for his purpose.

(ii) Surprise visits by senior police officers of police stations, police posts, assistance booths, check posts etc. to check violations of human rights, misbehaviour with women and treatment meted out to the persons seeking police assistance.

(iii) Conducting periodic checking of police stations and other police establishments by a Central Checking Team to prevent illegal detention and use of handcuffs.

(iv) Visit of police stations by senior police officers regularly for attending the complaints/grievances of public on the spot.

(v) Earmarking separate areas in all police stations for interrogation of suspects. It is named as 'Sankraman Kaksha' and is located in the vicinity of Reporting Room and SHO's Room. Investigating officers have directions to examine suspects and witnesses in 'Sankraman Kaksha' only. No member of the public is allowed to go, or be taken to, any other room of the police station for questioning or any other purposes.

(vi) The Investigating Officers are briefed by their senior officers to desist from use of third degree methods.

(vii) Investigating Officers are encouraged to use scientific methods of investigation.

(viii) Strict action is taken against police personnel found using third degree method.

(ix) Instructions have been issued to all concerned not to keep drunkards, drug addicts, sick and injured persons at police stations.

(x) Close circuit TV sets have been installed in all the police stations to have a better supervisions.

Compulsory registration of births/deaths

940. SHRI C. PERUMAL: will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to make registration of births and deaths compulsory;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether registration of birth will be made simpler in case of adoption of children?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) and (b) The Registration of births & deaths has been compulsory in the country since the coming into force of the Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 1969.

(c) Currently, there are no provisions in the Registration of Births and Deaths (RBD) Act, 1969 for registration of births of the adopted children. The office of the Registrar General, India had issued special guidelines in July, 1999 in consultation with Central Adoption Resource Agency for registration of such births. There is a proposal under consideration to make a suitable provision in the RBD Act, 1969 for registration of births of the adopted children.

Implementation of provision of plea bargaining

941. SHRI M. V. MYSURA REDDY: will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have issued a notification for